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In re Application of:	)	Art Unit: 1782
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Yasufumi TADAKI et al.	)	Examiner: Walter Aughenbaugh
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Appln. No.: 10/561,913	)	Washington, D.C.
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Filed: February 21, 2007	)	Confirmation No. 1497
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For: RESIN-COATED ALUMINUM	)	April 22, 2011
SEAMLESS CAN BODY...	)	

**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT FOR REASONS OF ALLOWANCE**

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Replying to the Notice of Allowance mailed January 27, 2011,  
  
please enter the following comments on the Examiner's reasons for  
  
allowance.

With respect to the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance,

Applicant wishes to make the following comments:

In the Notice of allowance at page 14, lines 1-5, the Examiner stated, "Any coating (polyester layer) on the bottom or top of the can would have a degree of orientation in the direction of the height of the can (axial orientation degree) of 0..."

Applicant wishes to point out that a resin-coated seamless aluminum can as claimed in claim 1 does not include "top of the can." As shown in Figure 1, the top of the can is open.

Regarding the bottom of the can, the specification does not mention that the "bottom of the can would have a degree of orientation in the direction of the height of the can is 0", nor "the coating on the bottom of the can would be oriented perpendicular to the axial direction of the can."

With respect to the Examiner's reasons for allowance at page 12, lines 50-8, the Examiner mentioned the relationship between the heat of fusion of the polyester resin layer which is not less than 16 J/g and a maximum molecular weight of PET which is 613.3.

It should be noted that the molecular weight of the polyester resin layer of the presently claimed resin-coated can is not necessarily 613.3, because the heat of fusion depends not only on molecular weight but also on the crystal content of the polyester resin layer.

Respectfully submitted,

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